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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SUCCESS AT CROMER CAMPUS 2017 PRESENTATION AWARDS EVENING



John Hayes Memorial Award Recipient and NBSC Principal (Rel)



By **JUSTIN HONG**
Principal
NBSC Cromer Campus

The following is part of the speech I delivered at our annual presentation awards evening. Thank you for your support of Cromer Campus in 2017 and I wish all a happy and safe festive season.

It has been a great year at Cromer Campus in 2017. I am happy to report that our school is now growing. We have employed an additional four teachers for next year and Year 7 in 2018 will be the biggest cohort in the school. This has been the result of a lot of hard work by staff and students alike and we expect that this pattern will continue in the coming years

The schools focus on literacy continued in 2017 and this year our Year 9 students achieved some of the best growth data in NAPLAN on the peninsula

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to which we are all very proud. It is testament to the quality of that program and the hard work of our students and teachers. As a result the focus on literacy will continue into 2018 and beyond.

Improvements to our school site continued in 2017 with the release of three new science laboratories, the renovation of a number of our classrooms and further landscaping work on the school grounds. Additionally, thanks to the support of our P&C and local council, our digital signs have now been installed. We will continue to work with the Department of Education, Council, the P&C and the community to ensure the students and teachers have a great physical environment that supports quality education, high expectations and student achievement well into the future.

This year and since I have been here as Principal I have spoken a lot to the students about high expectations. I often say, I want students to do their best and that I care about each and every student, I want every student to be successful in whatever it is they are doing now and what they are going to achieve in the future. At Cromer Campus we are very fortunate to have such professional, caring and committed staff that are

fostering this student success and so next year the school will continue consolidating our literacy programs, PBeL initiatives and visible learning programs. With such great students, dedicated teachers, and an incredibly supportive and committed parent body, the future of our great school and our growing school is very exciting indeed.

I would at this time like to acknowledge and express my gratitude to the Cromer Campus P&C led by our president Mr Des McLachlan. This year the P&C have accomplished a great many things, including the successful running of our school canteen, organising a successful golf day where over \$11000 was raised, I already mentioned the installation of the digital signs and also their ongoing support of numerous school programs including the school band. I rely heavily on the open partnership I have with the P&C and look forward to their continued involvement in 2018 and beyond. Can you please join with me in thanking the parents of the P&C for all of their work in 2017.

Our students, as I often say, are wonderful. There is such diversity and talent at our school and I get to see this every day. Tonight you are seeing only a snapshot of how fantastic our students are. I would like to congratulate all of our stu-

dents especially our award recipients tonight for their achievements. Could you please join with me collectively in congratulating all of our award winners tonight.

Of course great learning does not occur without great teaching and I am a very fortunate Principal indeed to have such a dedicated and professional staff. I am so grateful for our teachers, head teachers and Deputy Principals who work so hard every day to engage students and provide that quality education and high expectations our students need and deserve. They are supported of course by some equally hardworking teachers' aides and a tremendously dedicated administrative SASS staff. All of these wonderful people dedicate so much of their time, patience and commitment to the students of Cromer Campus. Can you please join with me in thanking the teachers and staff for all of their hard work in 2017.

Finally I would like to thank all members of our community for the support that you have shown Cromer Campus this year and I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very safe and happy festive season. Students I wish you all a restful and enjoyable holiday and I cannot wait to see you back here in 2018.







HSIE FACULTY

THE STORY OF AN IRAQI REFUGEE



BY **ALLIE EMO**
NBSC Cromer Campus
HSIE Head Teacher

Visiting speakers to our campus really serve to put a face to the topic our students are currently studying.

On Friday afternoon Year 9 and Year 10 HSIE students, Year 12 Legal Studies and Senior Geography students had the opportunity to listen to the amazing story of Daniel Saeed, our 2017 Refugee Speaker who was hosted by the HSIE department.

Daniel is a Mandeian who was born in Iraq into a wealthy family of gold traders and university teachers. While living under the dictatorship of Saddam Hussein and the ensuing American War that ravaged his country during the 1990s and 2000s, they were targeted and he was forced to flee Iraq with his family when he was just 13 years old.

Our students learnt how at such a young age and under extremely dangerous circumstances, he travelled across Iraq into Jordan where he was forced to work illegally to support his entire family of six (rent and food) for four years while they all awaited resettlement. Their first application

to resettle in Australia was refused due to poverty and stress related illnesses, but not giving up, Daniel found work with Save the Children in Jordan and the family was finally accepted into Australia when he was 18.

Arriving in this country he had no English language skills, but with the determination that our students were so inspired by, he has now completed a Diploma in Community Services at TAFE and a degree in Social Work at University, allowing him to give back to Australia as a much needed youth worker and refugee ambassador, helping youth at risk. His siblings have also taken the opportunity to become successful in Australia, becoming highly regarded in the fields of architecture, law and a criminology.

Every student and teacher was able to take something away from Daniel's engaging two hour presentation of his incredible story.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS

The following HSIE students gained the most votes for the People's Choice Award this year with their HSIE presentation night displays held throughout the year.

A big thank you to the Cromer P&C for donating these awards to our very deserving students.

With such fantastic displays this year the HSIE department is looking forward to seeing what our students produce for us next year in their new displays.

See below for the fabulous prizes on offer and our amazing students who won awards.



ABOVE: There's nothing wrong with coming second, as their vouchers prove.

1ST PRIZE

\$20 Booktopia voucher + \$10 canteen voucher

2ND PRIZE

\$15 canteen voucher

3RD PRIZE

\$5 canteen voucher

AWARD RESULTS

| HSIE PRESENTATION NIGHT DISPLAYS | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| YEAR 7 | | YEAR 8 | |
| ANCIENT ARTEFACT | | THE BUBONIC PLAGUE | |
| 1st place | Georgie Wikings | 1st place | Cameron Williams |
| 2nd place | Luke Emery | 2nd place | Will Green |
| 3rd place | Mia Herriot | 3rd place | Lani Latu |
| YEAR 9 | | YEAR 10 | |
| INDIGENOUS LAND MANAGEMENT | | THE HOLOCAUST | |
| 1st place | Jakob Sund | 1st place | Anasha Rostamians |
| 2nd place | Charlotte Callum | 2nd place | Tara Schmidt |
| 3rd place | Bianca Green | 3rd place | Mahalia Henderson |

YEAR TEN AUSTRALIAN BUSINESS WEEK



BY **TANYA CUTRONE**
NBSC Crumer Campus
HSIE Teacher

In Week 8 this term a selection of Year 10 Commerce students competed in the Australian Business Week program.

This is a national program that places students in the hot seat of running an enterprise.

Students were required to take over an electronic retail company and make decisions in a simulated closed marketplace that affected the future of their virtual business.

By making decisions and rectifying errors, the students gained an understanding of risk and business strategies and developed important work skills in a closed marketplace.

During simulations, the students assumed the key roles of the company's management including a CEO, Marketing Manager, Finance Manager and various other roles while working alongside students from Manly Selective Campus, Balgowlah Boys Campus and Mackellar Girls Campus. Crumer students dominated the experience with our very own students winning awards for "Best Trade Display", "Best Oral Presentation", "Best Simulation" and "GRAND CHAMPIONS".



Grand Champions and Best Trade Display



Best Oral Presentation



COMMERCE BAKE SALE

On Monday 4th December a selection of Year 9 Commerce students held a Bake Sale at lunch time in the quad. Throughout the year, the students have learnt about Consumer Choice, Promoting and Selling and how to establish their own business.

This Bake Sale was a practical application of those skills learnt throughout the year. Students strategically decided what product to sell; where to source their goods; how to advertise and market their product; and which promotions would allow them to gain the highest profit margin. Over \$230 in profit was successfully raised, which the students then donated to the school.





MACQUARIE STREET MOCK PARLIAMENT



By **THOMAS OLIVER**
NBSC Cromer Campus
Debating Coordinator

We would like to extend a gigantic congratulations to the NBSC Cromer Campus Mock Parliament team from year 9.

On Monday 4th December, Jayden Hurst, Ethan Steele and Shawn Hutton made their way to NSW Parliament House to compete in the competition which saw the students following real life legislative procedures and debating challenges against North Sydney Girls High School.

The students were given the challenge of representing the government who were putting forth a National Criminal Sentencing Act to replace the independent laws of the states. Our students fought furiously against North Sydney Girls in their independent competition, and landed a few hard hitting legislative blows and points of order against North Sydney Boys during the final rounds.

Adjudicated by former Justice of the Supreme Court, the Hon. Robert Hulme (1993-2012), the boys were recognised for their sophisticated delivery of effective legislation, with feedback saying:

“On the scores, they defeated North Sydney Girls HS 431-408. Our guest adjudicator, Robert Hulme (former Justice of the Supreme Court 1993-2012), expressed his shock when he found out that your Cromer team consisted of three Year 9 students against North Sydney Girls’ Year 10 students - two of whom had previous debating experience.”

When speaking to the judges for their round, they said that Ethan Steele made a phenomenal perfor-

mance. He raised meritorious points and had strong comebacks to criticisms of the opposing case.

NBSC Cromer Campus would like to recognise and congratulate the boys on their phenomenal performance and victory over North Sydney Girls High School. We cannot wait to see you represent NBSC Cromer Campus again in 2018!



DREAM BIG, LOVE WHAT YOU DO..... MENTORING



BY **ALISON STEVENS**
NBSC Cromer Campus
Girls Support

This term our Girls Wellbeing program had a focus on our girls enrolled in Years 7 to 9. Class Act Theatre came to Cromer Campus on October 20th to perform the play "Girl Talk". This play represents a series of scenarios and issues that young women commonly face today.

The script is based on real life stories that other women have shared. The overall message of the performance was to talk and share with

each other the ups and downs that life throws at us. This ties into our Dream Big philosophy - women supporting women.

The feedback that I have received from girls who attended has been very positive.

I look forward to running this event again next year.

Feedback from Year 9 girls:

"I enjoyed the play a lot. I thought it was a good way to talk about these topics in a funny, more relaxed way. I would love to see another play like this."

"I really enjoyed the performance and think the actors did a great job. I liked how they went through a range of different experiences and were very open about issues girls face in every aspect of life"

THANK YOU TO VOLCOM

We would like to thank Nick Boon and the team at Volcom Australia for continually supporting our library at NBSC Cromer Campus.

They have kindly donated the latest surfing, skateboarding and snowboarding magazines for our students to enjoy over many years now.

We would also like to thank Mrs Lawson who kindly collects the magazines for our school each term.

Vicky Duff SLSO











BAND WORKSHOP





COLLEGE NEWS

OUR DUKES GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

Our Dukes at Cromer have hit the ground running.



BY **VICKI BUSSE**
NBSC Duke of Edinburgh
Award Leader

Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh students have had a busy year engaging in regular hours of activity to complete the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award.

As well as two overnight hikes along the Colo river the students have completed volunteer hours in places such as a Childcare Centre, the local Library and packing books for the Lifeline Bookfairs.

In addition they have each learned a new skill, such as becoming a barista, playing the saxophone, flute or piano, or taking drama classes.

This small group of dedicated students has engaged in the physical activities of karate, paddleboarding and netball.

Next year the group will progress to complete their Silver Award, then the Gold Award in 2019/2020.

To hear how to begin the Award in 2018, Year 9 students and parents can attend an information evening at Freshwater Senior Campus, on Wednesday 7th February 2018 at 5:30pm.

LIBRARY MATTERS

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE



BY **ROBYN CONDRICK**
NBSC Cromer Campus
Teacher Librarian

Our literacy program at
Cromer Campus continues
to display positive results.

Literacy is the key to success at school and reading is an essential part of this. We have had the Premier's Reading Challenge at Cromer Campus every year for the past 15 years.

This year we are extremely proud to announce Eleanor Weaver, Year 7, has received a Platinum Award from the Premier of NSW Gladys Berejiklian for successfully completing the challenge for seven years.

Gold Award certificates for successfully completing the challenge for four years go to the following students:

Year 7: Chloe Aldred, Hayley Brewin, Oriana Cornelius-Mau'u, Maya Harris, Mia Herriot, Annie Hunt, Courtney Knox, Hayley Smyth.

Year 8: Ali Cowland, William Whiteford, Nathan Williams.

Great effort Cromer!



NBSC Cromer Campus eLibrary

Dear Parents

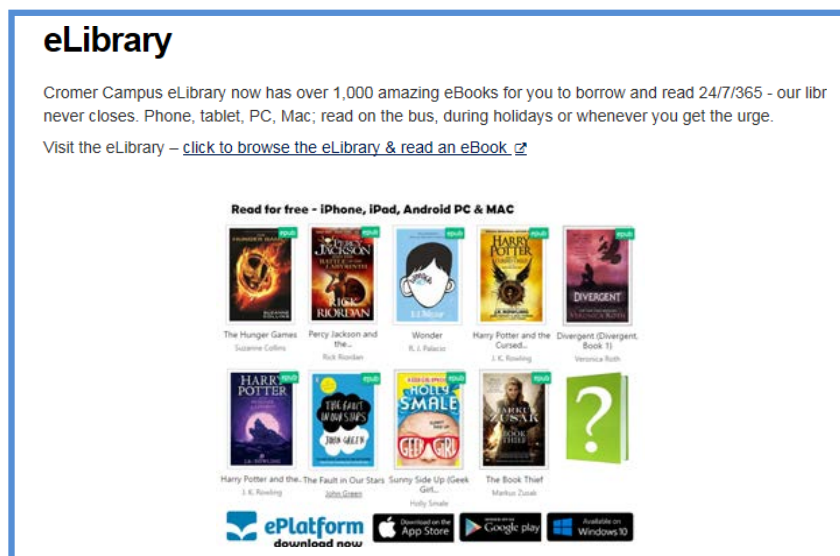
We have seen great success with our digital eLibrary this year. Mr Hong has agreed to fund this wonderful resource for another year. The Cromer Campus ePlatform digital library encourages students to increase their reading. Reluctant readers can personalise the settings to suit themselves.

With 24/7 access our eLibrary never closes over summer – fear the dreaded “summer reading slide” no more!

Our eLibrary allows non-stop access to a huge collection of titles – anytime, anywhere. Nurture the habit for a lifetime love of reading for leisure.

Option 1

1. Go to the Cromer Campus website.
2. Click on eLibrary (top right hand side)
3. The following is displayed:



4. Click on browse link and log into eLibrary with your school internet username and password.

Option 2

1. Download the free Wheelers ePlatform app from the app store to your own device.
2. Go to 'find your library' and type Cromer Campus, then log in using your school internet login and password
3. Browse and borrow an eBook to read on your own device



Mrs R Condrick
Teacher Librarian



Help us plan new footpaths!

Northern Beaches Council is developing a plan to guide the delivery of our future footpath program.

Help us identify the missing links in our existing footpath network and suggest where new footpaths should go.

Have Your Say

Online

- Register to attend a community workshop in your Council Ward early 2018.
- Use our interactive mapping tool to suggest new footpaths.
- Visit northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/council/have-your-say



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Term 1 2018

Week 1A Term 1

Monday 29 January Staff Development Day

Tuesday 30 January Years 7, 11 & 12 start school today.

Wednesday 31 January Years 8, 9 & 10 start school today.

Week 2B Term 1

Monday 5 February to
Wednesday 7 February Year 7 Camp

Week 3A Term 1

Tuesday 13 February Year 7 Parent Info Night
P&C Annual General Meeting

Week 4B Term 1

Monday 19 February Swimming Carnival

Week 5A Term 1

Monday 26 February to
Friday 2 March Year 7 Learning Conversations

Friday 2 March School & Group Photo Day

Week 6B Term 1

Friday 9 March Year 11 RYDA Driver Ed

DUKE OF EDINBURGH 2018 DATES

Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Information Night - 5:30-7:00pm Wednesday 7th February
Freshwater Senior Campus theatre (Year 9 students - 2018)

Silver/Gold Duke of Edinburgh Information Night - 5:30-7:00pm Thursday 8th February
Freshwater Senior Campus theatre (Year 10-11 students - 2018)

Bronze DofEd Practice Hike 1: 16-18 March Bronze DofEd Practice Hike 2: 6-8 April

Bronze DofEd Practice Hike 3: 4-6 May Gold DofEd Practice Hike: 25-28 April
(week 2 of holidays)

More hike dates to come later!

NBSC Cromer Campus

Uniform Shop Special Opening Hours

2017 - 2018



December 2017

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| Tuesday | 5th. December - Orientation Day | 8:00AM - 2:00PM |
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January 2018

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| Wednesday | 17th. January | 8:00AM - 2:00PM |
| Thursday | 18th. January | 8:00AM - 2:00PM |
| Monday | 22nd. January | 8:00AM - 2:00PM |
| Tuesday | 23rd. January | 8:00AM - 2:00PM |
| Wednesday | 24th. January | 8:00AM - 2:00PM |
| Monday | 29th. January | 8:00AM - 2:00PM |
| Tuesday | 30th. January | 8:00AM - 2:00PM |

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8:00am - 12:00pm

THURSDAY:

12:00pm - 4:00pm

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